PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of

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SEQUENCE

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For:

METHOD FOR AMPLIFYING AT LEAST ONE SPECIFIC NUCLEOTIDE

SEQUENCE, AND PRIMERS USED

SUPPLEMENTAL PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Director of the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In reply to the Notification of Defective Response mailed November 18, 2002 (copy attached), please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

At the end of the application, please replace the current Sequence Listing with the attached paper and computer-readable Sequence Listing.

REMARKS

Claims 13-24 are pending.

The attached paper copy and computer-readable copy of the Sequence Listing are submitted in compliance with 37 C.F.R. §§1.821-1.825. The contents of the paper copy and the computer-readable copy of the Sequence Listing are the same. No new matter is added. Support for the information provided in the Sequence Listing can be found in the original Sequence Listing.

Early and favorable consideration on the merits is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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Attachments:

Copy of Notification of Defective Response Sequence Listing (paper and computer-readable copies)

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